



INVESTING IN **YOU**

STUDENT SUCCESS AT
Merrimack College

We had over 550 students attend the career fairs in 2015!



COVER PHOTO

Merrimack student **Barbara DeAlmedia** meeting employers at the O'Brien Center Career Fair.



At Merrimack, we value **you**.

THE O'BRIEN CENTER FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

Merrimack offers academic excellence with affordability in mind—so much so that *Money* magazine ranks us among the top 50 U.S. colleges that add the most value, helping learners from diverse economic and academic backgrounds to excel in the workplace, graduate school, and everyday life.

The driving force behind Merrimack's uniquely tailored approach to career preparation is that we create a single point of entry to the corporate world through our award-winning O'Brien Center for Student Success, which guides students every step of the way as they prepare for the 21st century workplace. Beginning when you first arrive on campus, the center's eMpower Career Action Plan links college to career, providing concrete milestones toward your chosen profession. For example, all freshmen draft a professional resume; sophomores network with Merrimack alumni; juniors are connected to internships, co-ops, or research projects; and seniors begin full-time job interviews and practice salary negotiations—all with the ongoing support, feedback, and encouragement of the O'Brien Center.

As a result of such thorough and consistent preparation, **Merrimack graduates** continuously land well-paying jobs at some of the most esteemed companies, as well as admission into competitive graduate programs at top-tier institutions.



97% of the class of 2014 were employed, in graduate school, or completing a year of service within nine months of graduation.



24% of the class of 2014 were in graduate school.



64% of the class of 2014 reported completing at least one internship or co-op.



\$55,400 median salary of graduates 10 years after entering Merrimack College. National average is \$34,343.
(Source: US Dept. of Education Scorecard)



SELECT GRADUATE SCHOOLS

Boston College

Boston University

Dartmouth College Medical School

George Washington University
School of Law

Johns Hopkins University

Massachusetts Institute of
Technology

Northeastern University

Northeastern University
School of Law

Notre Dame University

Tufts University

University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill

University of Edinburgh

63% of our undergraduate students were employed, enrolled in graduate school, or participating in post-graduate service **at graduation**.



Over 2,000 jobs were posted in Merrimack's career database and over 300 companies recruited on campus in 2014-2015.



BUSINESS

Merrimack Business graduates have the edge on their peers. They hit the ground running in the real world, from Wall Street to Main Street. Small class sizes foster collaboration and leadership, while internships, co-ops, and study abroad experiences sharpen skills and build professional expertise. Our combined academic rigor and workplace experiences prepare students so well for their chosen professions that

98 percent of 2014 alumni from our Girard School of Business were employed or in graduate school within nine months of commencement.

CLASS OF 2014

 > \$42,500 median salary

 > 58% completed at least one internship

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SELECT COMPANIES HIRING BUSINESS STUDENTS

Brown Brothers Harriman; BNY Mellon; Deloitte; Eaton Vance; Ernst & Young; Fidelity Investments; Goldman Sachs; Liberty Mutual Insurance; Merrill Lynch; Morgan Stanley; Putnam Investments; PricewaterhouseCoopers; Raytheon Company; State Street Corporation; SunGard; WayFair

SELECT INTERNSHIP SITES FOR BUSINESS STUDENTS

Boston Business Concepts; Ernst & Young; Fidelity Investments; Massachusetts Department of Transportation; Putnam Investments; Raytheon Company; State Street Corporation; USA Field Hockey; Xenon Corporation



“During my sophomore year, I used the Merrimack College Advantage website to obtain my first summer internship, which gave me valuable professional experience and networking opportunities. It is important to immerse yourself in Merrimack’s professional development tools, which helped me to secure a full-time position as an analyst with Morgan Stanley Wealth Management in New York City as soon as I graduate.”

Christian Catricala '16; Business Administration major, concentrations in Accounting and Marketing

EDUCATION AND SOCIAL POLICY



Merrimack's Education and Social Policy professors balance scholarly excellence with practical experience in preK-12 education and other socially minded fields. Our graduates teach and lead in their communities, making a difference through organizations as diverse as public and private schools, law firms, child care centers, and law enforcement. As part of their dynamic preparation for the workplace, **82 percent of our 2014 Education and Social Policy alumni completed at least one internship during their undergraduate career.**

CLASS OF 2014

 ➤ \$32,500 median salary

 ➤ 97% were employed or in graduate school within nine months of commencement

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SELECT COMPANIES HIRING EDUCATION AND SOCIAL POLICY STUDENTS

Academy of Notre Dame; The Berkeley School; Burlington Public Schools; Devereux Foundation; FCi Federal; Lowell Public Schools; Massachusetts General Hospital; Massachusetts District Attorneys Offices; Smart Circle International; York Police Department

SELECT INTERNSHIP SITES FOR EDUCATION AND SOCIAL POLICY STUDENTS

Billerica House of Correction; Cervizzi & Associates; Franklin Elementary School; Fuller Meadow Elementary School; Law Offices of Alexander Cain; Little Sprouts; Massachusetts General Hospital; Somerville District Court; U.S. Marshals; Woburn District Court



"I always looked forward to my education courses because I was going to be in an environment where others shared the same passion as me. Whether it was offering feedback and suggestions on lesson plans or assistance and support while taking my licensing tests, my professors have positively impacted me and inspired me to showcase my passion for teaching."

Kate Culverhouse '16, Human Development major, concentration in Elementary Education



HEALTH SCIENCES



"Through my internship at the Worcester Prevention Research Center at UMass Medical School, I learned the basics behind how to research and plan public health interventions. My research focused on promoting proper nutrition and exercise within underprivileged communities of Massachusetts. Health promotion and education is a passion that I aim to pursue in the future. This internship helped point me in the direction of nursing, where I can directly impact and help improve the health of the individuals I am working with."

Jennie Votta '15, Health Science major, concentration in Nutrition

In today's ever-changing biomedical environment, countless opportunities exist for Merrimack graduates to thrive by helping others. Physicians, dentists, nurse practitioners, chiropractors, athletic trainers, physical therapists, and epidemiologists emerge from our Health Sciences program. Many alumni pursue advanced studies at prestigious graduate schools, while others launch careers with major pharmaceutical companies, hospitals, medical centers, and professional athletic teams. We're proud that **100 percent of Merrimack's 2014 Health Sciences undergraduate alumni were employed or in graduate school within nine months of commencement.**

CLASS OF 2014

 > \$47,500 median salary

 > 76% completed at least one internship

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SELECT COMPANIES HIRING HEALTH SCIENCE STUDENTS

Athletic Evolution; Massachusetts General Hospital; Mount Sinai Hospital; Peace Corps; Pentucket Medical; Performance Physical Therapy; Velocity Sports Performance; Winchester Hospital

SELECT INTERNSHIP SITES FOR HEALTH SCIENCE STUDENTS

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center; Brigham and Women's Hospital; Children's Hospital Boston; Lahey Hospital and Medical Center; Lawrence General Hospital; Massachusetts General Hospital; Micheli Center for Sports Injury Prevention; Pfizer; Philips Healthcare; Whittier Healthcare



LIBERAL ARTS

The study of Liberal Arts at Merrimack opens the door to vibrant career paths, helping students connect personal interests to career goals. They leave college with valuable critical thinking skills that fuel their success in a wide range of careers, including economists, historians, poets, psychologists, journalists, public relations specialists, nonprofit leaders, politicians, musicians, and lawyers. They're equipped with the knowledge and skills necessary to adjust to a changing world, adapt to an evolving career path, and appreciate a variety of values and views. Our lively, active, and energized approach to liberal arts embraces spirited classroom discussions, service learning projects, study abroad programs, internships, and co-ops—leading **96 percent of its 2014 graduates to attain employment or grad school enrollment within nine months of commencement.**

CLASS OF 2014

-  **\$32,500 median salary**
-  **63% completed at least one internship**

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SELECT COMPANIES HIRING LIBERAL ARTS STUDENTS

98.5 The Sports Hub; American Cancer Society; Bit9 + Carbon Black; Boston Herald; CDM Smith; Lahey Health; Massachusetts General Hospital; State Street Corporation; Steward Health Care System; W.B. Mason; Wells Fargo; WROR-FM Radio

SELECT INTERNSHIP SITES FOR LIBERAL ARTS STUDENTS

Boston Celtics; The Bowery Electric; Carlton PR & Marketing; FOX25 News; Massachusetts State Senate; Next Mile Project; Pathways for Children; Project Bread; Prudential Financial; WHDH-TV; Worcester Historical Museum

"The internships I had while attending Merrimack not only opened my eyes to the professional world but set my passion for the work that I do. I'm currently employed as a Communication Specialist for Brigham and Women's Hospital, and I couldn't be happier - or better prepared - for the work that I do."

Karamarie Joyce '15, Communication Studies, Mass Communication concentration; Public and Professional Writing minor

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING



From the latest mobile apps to lifesaving medical discoveries, science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) improve our world every day. Across more than 15 STEM majors, Merrimack prepares thoughtful leaders who go on to spark positive changes in technology and society. They conduct biology research, tackle pollution problems, develop video games, study planets, and design high-tech medical equipment. They gain experience with leading companies and conduct independent lab studies—all before graduating. In fact, **60 percent of 2014 Science and Engineering bachelor's degree recipients completed at least one internship.**

CLASS OF 2014

-  **\$47,500 median salary**
-  **95% were employed or in graduate school within nine months of commencement**

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SELECT COMPANIES HIRING SCIENCE & ENGINEERING STUDENTS

Charles River Laboratories; Comcast Corporation; CoreTech; EMC Corporation; Fidelity Investments; Massachusetts General Hospital; Polartec; Pro Con; Raytheon Company; Schneider Electric; Shire Pharmaceuticals; Teradyne; Thermo Fisher Scientific; United Technologies; Velocity Sports Performance; Winchester Hospital

SELECT INTERNSHIP SITES FOR SCIENCE & ENGINEERING STUDENTS

Bach Pharma; BAE Systems; EMC Corporation; Gilbane Building Company; Massachusetts Department of Transportation; Massachusetts General Hospital; NuScale Power; NxStage Medical; Pfizer; Teradyne; Weir Power and Industrial; xFact



“With help from the O’Brien Center, I’ve built my skills as a manufacturing engineer intern at Vicor Corporation. In the future, I plan to pursue an engineering career as a developer of our country’s defense systems.”

Carlos Peña '17, Mechanical Engineering major

James W. O'Brien Center for Student Success awarded the **National Exemplary Career Center of the Year** from the National Career Development Association (NCDA).

13:1 faculty-to-student ratio



Named among the **top 50 schools that “add the most value”** for students, according to *Money* magazine.

Ranked a 2016 **best regional college, best engineering program, and best college for veterans** by *U.S. News & World Report*.



Named a Princeton Review 2016 **Best College in the Northeast**.

Recognized as a 2014-2015 **College of Distinction**.

\$45 million in scholarships and financial aid to 97% of students in the 2015-2016 academic year.



“ Merrimack College fully prepared all three of my children for the transition from students to young professionals. In addition to the high value education they received, Merrimack gave them the tools to craft their own resumes, build networks, and secure internships. We couldn’t be happier and more thankful to Merrimack College. ”

Joseph N. Russo '88/P'14/P'16/P'18
Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer
Atlantic Charter Group

THE VALUE OF HANDS-ON LEARNING

Merrimack offers exciting, real-world opportunities to pursue your passions, including:

- **Internships:** Work for an organization in your field of interest, gaining important paid or unpaid experience while still a student.
- **Co-ops:** Gain an in-depth understanding of a particular industry through a paid position at a related business, which can last from a semester to a full year.
- **Study Abroad:** Embrace different cultures and increase your awareness of today's global society by selecting from among 21 different programs.
- **Service Learning:** Put Merrimack's Augustinian values into action by combining meaningful community service with hands-on skill development.
- **Undergraduate Research:** Partner with a faculty member to gain concrete research experience and insight into your academic field of study.
- **Field Experiences:** Gain a deeper understanding of your profession and apply classroom learning, theories, and experiences through student teaching practicums, clinical observations, or classroom-based projects.

LEARN MORE TODAY!

Visit us online at www.merrimack.edu/obriencenter.



THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION, founded by prominent Lynn businessman **JAMES W. O'BRIEN**, is Merrimack College's largest benefactor. Among the Foundation's contributions are the O'Brien Center for Student Success, the O'Brien Revolving Loan Fund, the O'Brien Foundation Presidential and Presidential Gold Scholarships, and the Merrimack College - O'Brien Lynn Scholarships.



Data is self-reported by the Merrimack College Class of 2014 and based on the O'Brien Center for Student Success' First Destination Survey administered 9 months post-graduation with a knowledge rate of 86%.



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